



Merrick County Board Minutes



September 22, 2015

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, September 22, 2015 at 9:05 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Kucera, Kreachbaum, Carlson, Weller, Helgoth, and Wiegert present. County Attorney Homolka was also present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal and on the Merrick County website. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Wiegert declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:05 a.m.

Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Kucera, second Graves to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Carlson to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2015, and September 8, 2015 meetings as published. Roll Call: Ayes: Graves, Kucera, Kreachbaum, Carlson, Wiegert, and Weller. Nays: None. Abstain: Helgoth.

Meeting reports: Carlson attended a Central NE Joint Housing Authority meeting; Graves attended a safety meeting; Weller attended the Bader Park meeting; Kreachbaum attended the Region 44 Emergency Management meeting and 2 LAPC meetings; Helgoth attended the Ag Society meeting; Wiegert attended a Central District Health meeting and Graves, Weller, Kucera, and Wiegert attended the NACO Central District meeting.

Official's reports: Planning & Zoning Myers gave the Board her list of permits; Extension Educator Stuhr gave an update on the Extension Office.

Hospital update: Julie Murray gave the Board a brief update on the hospital.

4H Building project: Extension Educator Stuhr said Rathman Manning had extended their bid to October 13, 2015 by letter. Moved Helgoth, second Graves to table the awarding of the bid for the 4H Building Project till the next meeting on October 13, 2015 and to give the opportunity to all of the other bidders to extend their bids to October 13 by sending a letter by email for the 4H Building Project. Roll Call: All Ayes

4H Building project coordinator: After some discussion Moved Kucera, second Graves to go into executive session at 9:53 a.m. to discuss strategy of real estate purchase. Roll Call: Ayes: Carlson, Helgoth, Weller, Wiegert, Graves, and Kucera. Nays: Kreachbaum. Moved Kucera, second Graves to come out of executive session at 10:19 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Helgoth to appoint Graves as the 4H Building Project Coordinator. Motion died for lack of second. Moved Weller, second Graves to appoint Carlson as the 4H Building Project Coordinator for the County Board. Roll Call: Ayes: Kucera, Helgoth, Kreachbaum, Graves, Weller, and Wiegert. Nays: None. Abstain: Carlson. Ag Society will appoint their own project coordinator for the 4 H Building project.

Ground breaking: Moved Kucera, second Graves to set October 18, 2015 ground breaking date and to coordinate with the 4H Achievement Day with the ground breaking at 3:00 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

4H Building project bonds: Andy Forney will start working on the bond to get it ready to be issued in three weeks and the courthouse bond and the 4H Building Project bond will not be combined at this time.

Building & Grounds: Brite Express was not interested in filling in whenever needed for cleaning and etc. when Building & Grounds Alder is absent. The Board will continue to look for someone.

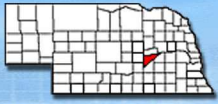
Snow blower bids: Steve Alder gave bids he got from businesses in Central City and one from Columbus. The Board is waiting to get a price for a commercial grade 28 inch snow blower from Bomgaars if they have any.

Telephone service in Sheriff's Department: Sheriff Campbell is waiting on quotes from Century Link and Frontier. Will present quotes to the Board at next meeting.

RESOLUTION 2015-17: Moved Graves, second Helgoth to approve and have the Chairman sign RESOLUTION 2015-17 allowing the transfer of \$994,382.00 of tax collections to be transferred from the General Fund to the Road Fund in twelve equal payments for fiscal year 2015-2016. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2015-17 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

RESOLUTION 2015-20: Moved Graves, second Weller to approve and have the Chairman sign RESOLUTION 2015-20 allowing the transfer of \$16,000.00 from the General Fund to the Juvenile Diversion for support for fiscal year 2015-2016. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2015-20 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

Time clocks: The Board told the County Clerk to order two more time clocks, one for the courthouse and one for the Road Department. The Sheriff Deputies and the road graders will use an app that will be put on their smart phones and if they do not have one, the County will look into using Trac phones if possible for those without a smart phone.



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Mileage for Weed Control: The Board will pay the mileage for Weed Superintendent Koziol for setting up and working at the Weed Control Association booth at the State Fair for 168 miles if it is split in half with Nance County.

September 2015 payroll: September 2015 payroll presented: General: Gross: \$108,274.86 Net: \$74,653.05 Roads: Gross: \$46,432.54 Net: \$32,095.69 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$3,206.67 Net: \$2,291.69. Moved Kreachbaum, second Graves to approve the September 2015 payroll. Roll Call: Ayes: Carlson, Wiegert, Kreachbaum, and Graves. Weller, Helgoth, Kucera said Ayes to those that they signed.

Adjourn: Moved Kreachbaum, second Kucera to adjourn at 12:20 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk